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SUBJECT: WOLFF MEETING WITH GOJ EC MIN FUKADA RE: NAKAGAWA  
VISIT

1. AMBASSADOR ALAN WOLFF (STR) CALLED IN ECONOMIC MINISTER  
FUKADA (JAPANESE EMBASSY) ON AUGUST 8 TO DISCUSS UPCOMING  
VISIT OF AG MINISTER NAKAGAWA. WOLFF NOTED GROWING RISK OF  
NATIONALISTIC REACTIONS IN U.S.-JAPAN TRADE RELATIONS THAT  
COULD BE SIGNIFICANTLY WORSENERED IF NAKAGAWA WAS NOT PRE-  
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PARED TO NEGOTIATE SOLUTIONS TO OUTSTANDING ISSUES WHEN HE  
VISITS THE U.S. IN SEPTEMBER. WOLFF EMPHASIZED THE FOLLOW-  
ING POINTS:  
(A) A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION TO THE MTN REQUIRES AGRI-  
CULTURAL CONCESSIONS. IN CURRENT ATMOSPHERE, OUR TRADE  
RELATIONS COULD BE DAMAGED BY ADDITIONAL PUBLIC U.S.  
PRESSURE ON JAPAN AND JAPANESE SEEMING INTRANSIGENCE. IF

NAKAGAWA IS NOT PLANNING TO BRING OFFERS ON ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE U.S., SUCH AS CITRUS, BEEF, POULTRY, EGGS, PORK, WINE, ETC., HIS VISIT COULD THEREFORE HAVE AN UNINTENDED IMPACT.

(B) PROTECTIONIST PRESSURES ARE INCREASING IN THE U.S. CONGRESS. WITHOUT PROGRESS IN TRADE, PARTICULARLY AGRICULTURE, WE HAVE LITTLE SUPPORT FOR RESISTING THESE PRESSURES. THE LETTER RECOMMENDING A 15 PERCENT SURCHARGE ON ALL

JAPANESE IMPORTS ILLUSTRATES THE SORT OF CONGRESSIONAL ATTITUDES THAT EXIST.

(C) WITHOUT SATISFACTORY PROGRESS IN THE MTN ON AGRICULTURE, THERE WILL BE PRESSURE TO CONTEST JAPAN'S ILLEGAL QUOTAS IN GATT. WE HAVE RECENTLY TAKEN STEPS TO SEEK A GATT REVIEW OF JAPANESE LEATHER QUOTAS.

2. MINISTER FUKADA INDICATED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THE DOMESTIC SITUATION IN THE U.S. AND ASSURED AMBASSADOR WOLFF HE WOULD PASS THE MESSAGE ALONG TO HIS GOVERNMENT. CHRISTOPHER

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